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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

NOTIFICATION

Port Blair, dated the 2nd August, 2010

No. 187/2010/F.No. 2-1/PCC/Plastics/2004.— WHEREAS, it has been noticed that extensive use is being made of plastic carry bags, which by reason of their chemical or physico-chemical properties, are liable to cause harm to human beings, other living creatures, plants, micro-organisms and the environment of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The negative environmental impacts are more visible at tourist spots, beaches, roads, drains and sewers, markets, ports/ harbours, part of reserved forests, national parks both marine and terrestrial, wildlife sanctuaries, biological parks, gardens and water reservoirs in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands frequented by the tourists and others.

Whereas, with the view to protect and improve the quality of environment and to prevent, control and abate environmental pollution in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), read with Notification No. S.O 667(E) dated 10th September, 1992 and in supersession of Andaman Nicobar Gazette Notification No. 140 dated 06-10-2009, the Administrator (Lieutenant Governor), Andaman and Nicobar Islands issued notification published in the Gazette vide No. 98 dated 30-04-2010 inviting suggestions and objections for imposing complete ban on use, storage, import, manufacture, transportation, distribution or sale and disposal of plastic carry bags irrespective of thickness, size, color and nature in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Whereas, all objections/suggestions received in response to the draft notification dated 30-04-2010 have been duly considered.

Now, therefore, with the view to protect and improve the quality of environment and to prevent, control and abate environmental pollution in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the Administrator (Lieutenant Governor), Andaman and Nicobar Islands in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), read with Notification No. S.O. 667(E) dated 10th September, 1992 and in supersession of Notification No. 140 dated 06-10-2009, hereby imposes complete ban on use, storage, import, manufacture, transportation, distribution or sale and disposal of plastic carry bags irrespective of thickness, size, color and nature in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

The Administrator, Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands further directs that the following Officers shall implement these orders related to use, storage, import, manufacture, transportation, distribution or sale and disposal of plastic carry bags irrespective of their thickness, size, color and nature and authorizes them to file complaints under Section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, namely:-

1. The District Magistrates/Assistant Commissioners/ Tehsildars of all Districts.
2. The Secretary, Port Blair Municipal Council.
3. The Chief Executive Officer of all the Zilla Parishads, Executive Officers of Panchayat Samitis, Secretaries of Gram Panchayats.
4. The Divisional Forest Officers/Deputy Conservator of Forests/ Range Officers in Reserved Forests/ Protected Areas.
5. The Station House Officers of all Police Stations.

The Deputy Commissioners of all the districts of U.T. of Andaman and Nicobar Islands shall implement the above orders related to prohibition on use, storage, import, manufacture, transportation, distribution or sale and disposal of plastic carry bags in their respective jurisdictions.

The Administrator, Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands hereby, further directs that the Member Secretary, Andaman Nicobar Administration Pollution Control Committee shall co-ordinate and monitor the enforcement of the above orders and also authorizes him to file complaints under Section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Any violation of these directions shall entail punishment under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

It is further ordered that the above directions shall come into force on expiry of 60 days from the date of publication in the Gazette and shall be applicable in the entire Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

By order of the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator)

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(D.V. NEGI)
Principal Secretary (Science & Technology)
& Chairman, Pollution Control Committee